

continued to serve his town through numerous committees for the Vernon Fire Department and happily watched his grandson, Adam, become a fifth-generation Bowman firefighter.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor to have the opportunity to represent constituents as devoted and caring toward their community as Richard Bowman. I have had the honor to represent the Town of Vernon for many years in Congress, and have seen firsthand Dick Bowman's diligent work. I also live in the town, and am grateful for his efforts to keep the town, my neighborhood, and my family safe. Dick leaves behind his wife, Carol, alongside two sons, his grandchildren, and his nieces and nephews. He loved attending his grandchildren's school and athletic events and will be remembered by his family as a loving husband, uncle, father, and grandfather. His memory will live on through them and reverberate throughout the community he proudly served. To that end, I ask that my colleagues and this Chamber join me in setting Richard's legacy further into stone, and expressing our deepest respect for Richard's work and life.

RECOGNIZING THE COUNTY OF ORLEANS SHERIFF'S WEEK

HON. CHRIS JACOBS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. JACOBS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the County of Orleans Sheriff's Week designated this year between September 19th through September 25th.

The Orleans County Sheriff's Department, led by Sheriff Christopher Bourke, has an extensive history of honorably serving the people of Orleans County. The Department conducts itself with the utmost professionalism and demonstrates integrity, honor, and courage daily.

Just in the past year, we have seen countless examples of heroism. Last November Sheriff's investigator Kevin Colonna went above and beyond the call of duty and used an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to revive an elderly man who had become non-responsive.

Similarly, Undersheriff Mike Mele took incredible action last December when a driver lost control of their vehicle on slick roads and crossed into his lane. Undersheriff Mele quickly turned to avoid the car and careened off the road seriously injuring himself in the process. His selfless actions undoubtedly saved the life of the other driver.

These are just two of the countless examples where members of the Orleans County Sheriff's Department have gone above and beyond the call of duty and acted selflessly to protect the people of Orleans County. They patrol the streets, operate a safe and secure jail, patrol the waterways, and provide resources to local schools—among many other duties.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to represent such a distinguished department and the fine men and women who oversee its operations. Our Orleans County Sheriff's Department and all our brave law enforcement officers deserve our utmost respect and gratitude for their service.

HONORING THE LEADERSHIP AND LEGACY OF GILBERT CAMPBELL

HON. LORI TRAHAN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mrs. TRAHAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the tremendous contributions and legacy of Gilbert Campbell, a successful businessman and community leader who dedicated his life to the prosperity of the Greater Lowell community. He passed away peacefully on September 16, 2021.

Gilbert was born in the Centralville neighborhood in the City of Lowell in 1930. After graduating from Lowell High School in 1948, Gilbert would embark on a seven decade-long professional career, first as a distinguished home builder, real estate developer, and entrepreneur; and later as a hotelier, restaurateur, professional sports owner who was renowned for his passion for thoroughbred horses.

Over the span of his home building career, Gilbert built 1,500 houses, 3,000 apartments, and many commercial buildings. He was extremely involved in the home building community, so much so that he was a founding member and one-time president of the Lowell Home Builders Association, a past President of Massachusetts Home Builder Association, and a previous Vice President and Lifetime Director of the National Home Builders Association.

In addition to his impressive professional career, Gilbert never forgot where he came from. He worked tirelessly to make his hometown of Lowell a better place. His expertise and vision for the future of the City made him a trusted confidant to many business and political leaders over the years, myself included. He was a founding member of the Lowell Plan, the former St. John's Hospital/Saints Medical Center, the past President of Vesper Country Club, a previous Chairman of the Northern Middlesex Chamber of Commerce, and a co-owner of Lowell's first professional sports team, The Lowell Lock Monsters. Gilbert's contributions to the economic development of Lowell has had a lasting impact on the city and will continue to be felt when walking the streets downtown for generations to come.

Throughout his life, Gilbert was the recipient of numerous recognitions from distinguished organizations for his work in our community. He was selected in the 1960s as the New England Builder of the Year and in 2016 as the Florida Breeder of the Year Award, alongside his beloved wife, Marilyn. He was also inducted into the Lowell High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame, the Northeast Builders Hall of Fame, and the New England Turf Writers Hall of Fame. In the face of so many well-deserved accolades, Gilbert remained humble, accessible and down to earth. Through his years of leadership, Gilbert has made the City of Lowell a better place to call home.

Gilbert will be remembered for his love for his family and friends, his kindness to those around him, his distinguished professional career, and his immense pride in the City of Lowell. My heart goes out to Marilyn, his children Susan and Gary, and the entire Campbell family during this difficult time. Gilbert's legacy will live on through his loving family

and all of us who had the honor of knowing him.

CONGRATULATING POIEMA VISUAL ARTS

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. SMUCKER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Poiema Visual Arts as it celebrates its grand opening on this day, September 24, 2021.

With roots in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Poiema Visual Arts is an organization which seeks to foster values such as discipleship and friendship among Christian visual artists across Pennsylvania. Lancaster County is home to a burgeoning arts community, with many artists, craftsmen, and others finding it an ideal place from which to hone their craft and exhibit their work. Poiema Visual Arts will be a welcome addition to that community.

Art is often thought of as a universal language which can bring together people from all walks of life. We hope Poiema Visual Arts can do just that and unite people across Pennsylvania's Eleventh District and beyond.

We wish Poiema Visual Arts all the best and eagerly wait to see what the future has in store.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, unfortunately, my proxy holder was detained and unable to cast a vote for me. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Rollcall No. 227.

RECOGNIZING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT PESHTIGO FIRE

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the 150th anniversary of the Great Peshtigo Fire. The deadliest fire in U.S. history, the Great Peshtigo Fire claimed nearly 2,000 lives and millions of acres of land across Northeast Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula. Today, we not only remember the lives lost in this blaze, but celebrate the resilience Wisconsinites showed in rebuilding their communities.

The city of Peshtigo was founded in 1838. Adjacent to the western shore of Green Bay, surrounded by dense Wisconsin forest, and bisected by the Peshtigo River, Peshtigo became an immediate economic hub for logging and shipping. By 1871 it sustained the livelihood of thousands of families in Wisconsin and was the tenth most populous city in the state.

October 8, 1871 may be often overlooked in American history, but to the citizens of

Peshtigo and Northeast Wisconsin, it was a defining moment for generations. On that fateful night, the village of Peshtigo lost nearly half its residents, with many more traveling lumberjacks killed in the fire. Estimates believe that roughly 700 Peshtigo residents lost their lives as the city was consumed by flames. Hundreds more perished in the surrounding communities. Flames descended upon the city of Peshtigo so rapidly that it was described by eyewitnesses as a roaring tornado of unbearable intensity and heat. The Peshtigo River, which runs directly through the city, did little to stop the flames from darting over the waters, and survivors, realizing they were trapped, had no other choice but to leap into the river. Within hours, nearly the entire city was reduced to rubble.

Though often overshadowed by the Great Chicago Fire which began the same night, the Great Peshtigo Fire claimed at least five times the lives and over 500 times the acreage. But in the face of this unprecedented destruction, the people of Peshtigo and the surrounding communities came together to rebuild and restore. Today, Peshtigo is a vibrant community with schools, parks, wineries, and museums, all held together by the grit and character of the Peshtigo people that has defined the city for generations. It is my hope that through this proclamation, the Great Peshtigo Fire will receive the proper recognition it deserves not only as a somber tragedy and the deadliest fire in U.S. history, but as a trial that displayed the tremendous resolve of the Wisconsinites who rebuilt the city of Peshtigo to even greater heights. Madam Speaker, I urge all Members of this body to join me in recognizing the 150th anniversary of the Great Peshtigo Fire of 1871.

RECOGNIZING KATHRYN “KATIE”
HOLLOWAY ON HER
PARALYMPIC GOLD MEDAL

HON. SUZAN K. DELBENE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Ms. DELBENE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Kathryn “Katie” Holloway of Lake Stevens, Washington on her fourth Paralympic medal and her second gold medal for Team USA in Sitting Volleyball. Ms. Holloway has helped shape the Sitting Volleyball program since she first competed in 2008. Her strength and determination are clear not only in her performances as a four-time Paralympian, but as a four-year Division I athlete on her college’s basketball team.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Ms. Holloway, an incredible athlete, role model, and teammate on her gold medal at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. I could not be happier that the next generation of athletes has role models like Ms. Holloway to look up to and pave the way.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

SPEECH OF

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, a free press is the cornerstone of a free society. Without it, democracy cannot thrive.

But freedom of the press is under assault around the world.

Journalists face persecution, detainment, torture, and even death for simply doing their jobs.

My amendment will empower the U.S. to hold accountable those who perpetrate crimes against journalists by prohibiting assistance to culpable governments.

Named for Jamal Khashoggi—whose brutal murder still goes unpunished—this will ensure America stands with journalists against those who would seek to harm them.

We must pass it.

In doing so, we will honor Mr. Khashoggi’s legacy and protect the cornerstone of our own democracy by sending a clear message: the U.S. will not turn a blind eye to the abuse of journalists.

HONORING COLONEL BRADLEY D.
MOSES FOR 26 YEARS OF MILITARY SERVICE

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Colonel Bradley D. Moses for 26 years of military service and leadership in defense of our Nation.

Col. Moses was commissioned in 1995 as a member of the 82nd Airborne. He went on to serve in the 75th Ranger Regiment before joining the 3rd Special Forces Group in 2002. From 2016 to 2018, he served as Commander of the 3rd Special Forces Group where he was responsible for the guidance and training of over 2,600 soldiers.

Colonel Moses’s devout service to our nation’s protection and security are worthy of high praise. His promotion to the position of 3rd Special Forces Group Commander is indicative of his exceptional performance and leadership skills. As Commander, Col. Moses directed successful military operations as the 3rd Special Forces Group underwent an important period of transition. He also served as an advisor to other regiments and command groups. Most notably, he worked in tandem with the leaders of the 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne) and the Special Operations Command Africa on local affairs to assist them in carrying out objectives. Furthermore, Col. Moses’ actions as commander demonstrate his steadfast commitment to values of honor and respect that are paramount to all outstanding servicemen. Out of respect for soldiers who fell in the line of duty under his command, he saw that all 3rd Special Forces Group Gold Star Families were invited to and honored at any Group events. Finally, Col. Moses has twice been recognized and

awarded the prestigious Legion of Merit Award. This distinctive honor serves as a pinnacle achievement in his career and is further testament to his extraordinary leadership and moral character.

On behalf of North Carolina’s Eighth District and our entire country, I would like to extend my most heartfelt appreciation to Colonel Moses for his indispensable service and leadership as a soldier and officer in the U.S. Army. I know I speak for our entire community in wishing him and his family continued success and happiness as he moves into retirement.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring Colonel Bradley D. Moses for 26 years of service and leadership in the U.S. Army.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. AL LAWSON, JR.

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. LAWSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, the Member, who is my designated proxy, did not submit my vote as instructed on September 23, 2021. Had I been present, I would have voted yea on Rollcall No. 289, En Bloc No. 3 to H.R. 4350, National Defense Authorization Act.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF FORMER MAYOR DORIS FLORES LUJAN

HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 24, 2021

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the life and legacy of former Mayor Doris Flores Lujan. Mayor Lujan was an esteemed leader, devoted public servant, and true advocate for the People of Guam. Our people will fondly remember her as a formidable voice who led with compassion, served from the heart, and aspired to cultivate a greater quality of life for Inalåhan residents and our larger island community.

Mayor Lujan was a political pioneer elected to serve her home village of Inalåhan for eight years. First assuming her role in 2013, she was the first and only woman mayor of her village. With priorities to elevate village infrastructure and restore public facilities while expanding services for manåmko’, veterans, and persons with disabilities, Mayor Lujan demonstrated an admirable resolve to bring tangible solutions to those in need. Further, she embodied a kind of leadership that honored both our land and people with a mission to utilize government resources for protecting the beauty of our island and preserving a thriving Chamoru culture and heritage.

Mayor Lujan’s compassion and commitment to serving others extended far beyond just the People of Guam. Prior to her tenure as mayor of Inalåhan, she spent 42 years as a Secretary of the Base, Wing and Communications Squadron Commander, Base Records Manager, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Manager, Privacy Act (PA) Officer, and Deputy of